



Summary of Meeting Minutes CHESTERFIELD CITIZENS ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, May 28, 2026, 6:00 PM
Conference Room 102-103

I. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM

II. ATTENDANCE: Wayne Dunker, Director of Parks, Kari Johnson, City Liaison, Jeanne Tevlin, Chair(Ward IV), Rob Kilo Assistant Chair(Ward IV), Laura Houck, Secretary(Ward III), Donna Pecherski(Ward II), Bessie Thrasher(Ward II), Su Ghosh(Ward III), Jessica Eilerman (Ward I), Marvin Clark(Ward II), Shelby Nichols(Ward I), Vaishali Soneta(Ward IV), Susie Mlynarczyk(Ward III).

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY

- A. Approval of 2026-3-26 meeting results Susie Mlynarczyk made a motion to accept the March minutes as written. Jessica Eilerman seconded the motion.

IV. COMMITTEE RECAPS/FOLLOW UPS

- A. Invasive Honeysuckle removal: A dumpster was filled with honeysuckle as well as two additional large piles that were piled outside the dumpster. The areas that were cut were treated. Su Ghosh suggested that we should return and respray(stewardship program). This will be revisited in November. Jeanne Tevlin went back to this area the next day and sprinkled seeds in the area that was cut up.
- B. Fall Recycle / Work Day – date change: This will take place on October 24. Red Key wants to join our recycling effort. We will recycle paint, have E cycling and shred paper and spread seeds.
- C. Demonstration Garden update: Jeanne suggested making the garden in the shape of a circle. One fourth would be beard tongue foxglove, one eighth-southern prairie aster, one eighth-pale purple coneflower, one eighth-bottle brush blazing star, one eighth-milkweed species, prairie dock and one to be determined to slender mountain mint as it is too invasive.
- D. Change to Earth Day Event: Kari suggested to discontinue the plant give away and give trees out in the fall.

- E. National Wildlife Federation Zoom Call: Vaishali and Rob were on the zoom call. They played a game on zoom with the group chat. Many areas have done this call for 35 yrs. Chesterfield is the only certified community in MO that has been certified with the National Wildlife Federation and we are ninth in the nation. Chesterfield did Mayor's Monarch Pledge early. Kari needs to order 26 issue of National Wildlife Magazine to be given out at Truck or Treat and Trunk or Treat in October. There was a tree discussion in groups. Native bees, insects and song birds live in native trees. They want to restore native trees.
- F. NWF, CWH with CFM affiliate signage: Wayne spearheaded a need to check signage uniformity throughout Chesterfield. Some signs need to be replaced. Rob is mapping where they are located. Only in Missouri do we have Community Wildlife Habitat signs.
- G. Lights Out Heartland/Dark Sky Missouri – meeting update: This occurs in May and September. These are called dark sky months for migrating birds. We need to educate people and promote lights out Heartland-sunset to sunrise. Rob will spearhead this. We can use the Did You Know feature on Facebook to help promote this.
- H. New approach for recycling information: Bessie talked about getting grants to pay for recycling bins. 1,2,5 are recyclable. We need to promote city wide for recycling. We also need to educate city council about recycling. We may have our mayor come to a meeting and present recycling information to him. We also need to have our representative from Republic come, too.

V. UPDATE ON EVENTS AND DEADLINES

- A. NWF Zoom schedule – 3pm
 - a. Aug 24 – Vaishali/Rob
 - b. Dec 7 – Vaishali Rob

VI. CCEAC Member Comments (2 minutes per person)

VII. PARK UPDATES There are new geese signs to educate the public about not feeding the geese. If we stop feeding the geese, they will leave which will clean up the geese poop on the walkways.

June 9th at 9AM is a ribbon cutting ceremony. June 11 to install flags at 10AM at Veterans Park.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT – 7:25PM. There will be no

June meeting. Next meeting Thursday, July 23, 2026

The Chesterfield Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee will consider and act upon the matters listed above, and such other matters as may be presented at the meeting and determined to be appropriate for discussion at that time.

PERSONS REQUIRING AN ACCOMMODATION TO ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING SHOULD CALL (636) 812-9500 AT LEAST TWO WEEKDAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

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